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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
7 AT SEATTLE

8 JOSEPH BLACK,

9 Plaintiff,

10 v.

11 COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL
SECURITY,

12 Defendant.
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Case No. C20-5292-MLP

ORDER GRANTING APPLICATION
TO PROCEED *IN FORMA PAUPERIS*

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15 After careful consideration of Plaintiff's application to proceed *in forma pauperis*
16 ("IFP"), the governing law, and the balance of the record, the Court ORDERS:

17 (1) Plaintiff's application to proceed IFP (dkt. # 1) is GRANTED. Plaintiff does not
18 appear to have funds available to afford the \$400.00 filing fee.

19 (2) The Clerk of the Court is directed to send a copy of this Order to Plaintiff's
20 counsel, and to issue summonses to Plaintiff's counsel to enable proper service of the complaint
21 on the appropriate parties. Plaintiff shall note that it is Plaintiff's attorney's responsibility to
22 serve copies of the complaint properly along with appropriate summonses as required by Rule 4
23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Plaintiff may effectuate service electronically as detailed
in General Orders 04-15 and 05-15, by sending a copy of the summonses and complaint, along

1 with Plaintiff's identifying information, by email to USAWAW.SSAClerk@usdoj.gov. A
2 certificate of service must also be promptly filed with the Court.

3 Dated this 31st day of March, 2020.

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6 MICHELLE L. PETERSON
7 United States Magistrate Judge
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